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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Case No. 18-32198

In Re:

Chapter 7

Alicia Jones Fka Alicia Jacobson Jones

Honorable Vincent Papalia

Debtor.

## OPPOSITION TO APPLICATION TO RETAINER PROFESSIONAL

Now comes Alicia Jones, represented by the Law Office of Michelle Labayen PC as her counsel to object to the application to retain a professional.

- 1. On or about June 9, 2021 (ECF 135) the debtor filed a Motion to Compel Abandonment for both the 2011 Land Rover, 2007 BMW and 2008 Mercedes Benz.
- 2. The hearing is scheduled for July 7, 2021, therefore the trustee's request to appraise the vehicles are premature.
- 3. The trustee has waited nearly two years to make this request to appraise the vehicles and prejudice has attached to the delay.
- 4. The extended delay is a detriment to the debtor and the value of the cars due not outweigh the extreme hardship that the debtor would endure.

- 5. As argued before this Court by the trustee; the sale of the Debtor's residence and the withholding of the debtor's homestead exemption was to allow the debtor a full and complete discharge of any remaining debt owed to her creditors.
- 6. The debtor received a discharge of her debt on November 27, 2019 (ECF 117).
  THEREFORE, the debtor requests that any application to retainer a professional is stayed until the Motion to Compel Abandonment is heard.

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